

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
AT KNOXVILLE

GREGORY RINGENBERG,

Plaintiff,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; GARY REEVES; ROBIN REEVES; GARY L. FIELDS; MARTHA D. FIELDS; MERVIN OWNBY; JACOB SAMUEL-JAMESON SLACK; GREGORY SCOTT COOK; PATRICK L. WHITE; JOAN M. MOWERY; DWIGHT A. COFFEY; VICKIE S. COFFEY; THEODORE RANDOLF HAMILTON; MICKEY ROSS MORGAN; OLIVIA MORGAN; MARY MORGAN; THOMAS F. KENNY, IV; LAUREN M. KENNY; TIMOTHY ZITZMAN; KATHLEEN ZITZMAN; KMT PARTNERS; and ALL OTHERS CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE, OR INTEREST IN LANDS KNOWN AS MONROE COUNTY, TENNESSEE TAX PARCEL 139-006.00,

Defendants.

Case No. 3:23-CV-00295-DCLC-JEM

SUGGESTION OF DEATH OF DEFENDANT JOAN MOWERY

Counsel for Plaintiff Gregory Ringenberg (“Plaintiff”) gives notice and suggests upon the record, based on recently acquired knowledge, pursuant to Rule 25(a)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, that Defendant Joan Mowery has passed away on or about February 2, 2025. A copy of her death certificate filed in the Knox County Probate Court Docket Number 90995-1, *In re: Estate of Joan M. Mowery* is attached as Exhibit 1. A copy of a proffered Last Will and Testament of Joan M. Mowery submitted on or about May 14, 2025, in the Knox County Probate Court is attached as Exhibit 2. Upon information and belief, the Mowery Property at issue is vested in the yet-to-be-named Executor(s) of Joan Mowery’s estate. See Item II(B) of the Last Will and Testament attached hereto as Exhibit 2; Tenn. Code Ann. § 31-2-103(a) (providing that

a decedent's real property "vests immediately upon death in the beneficiaries named in the will, unless the will contains a specific provision directing the real property to be administered as part of the estate").

Upon anticipated appointment by the Knox County Probate Court of an Executor(s) for the Estate of Joan Mowery, Plaintiff shall file an appropriate motion to substitute the to-be-appointed Executor(s) in place of Defendant Joan Mowery in this act.

This the 6th day of June, 2025.

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